

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An article comprising a medium storing software that causes a processor-based computer system to perform the following steps:
  - a. create an appointment entry in a time management application; and
  - b. associate a task directly with the appointment.
2. The article of claim 1 wherein associating the task includes displaying a plurality of tasks next to an appointment for which the task is related.
3. The article of claim 1 wherein associating the task includes linking related tasks and appointments in a data base to maintain the relationship of the tasks and allow the user to create and edit the linked relationships.
4. The article of claim 3 wherein the task is in an assignments due list of a calendar time management application.
5. The article of claim 3 wherein the time periods in the calendar time management application are class periods.

6. A system, comprising:
  - a. a processor;
  - b. a memory coupled to the processor; and
  - c. a storage medium coupled to the processor including a software program that, upon execution:
    - i. create an appointment entry in a time management application; and
    - ii. associate a task directly with the appointment.
7. The article of claim 6 wherein associating the task includes displaying a plurality of tasks next to an appointment for which the task is related.
8. The article of claim 6 wherein associating the task includes linking related tasks and appointments in a data base to maintain the relationship of the tasks and allow the user to create and edit the linked relationships.
9. The article of claim 8 wherein the task is in an assignments due list of a calendar time management application.
10. The article of claim 8 wherein the time periods in the calendar time management application are class periods.

11. A portable computing device, comprising:
  - a. a processor;
  - b. a memory coupled to the processor; and
  - c. a storage medium coupled to the processor including a software program that, upon execution:
    - i. create an appointment entry in a time management application; and
    - ii. associate a task directly with the appointment.
12. The article of claim 6 wherein associating the task includes displaying a plurality of tasks next to an appointment for which the task is related.
13. The article of claim 6 wherein associating the task includes linking related tasks and appointments in a data base to maintain the relationship of the tasks and allow the user to create and edit the linked relationships.
14. The article of claim 8 wherein the task is in an assignments due list of a calendar time management application.
15. The article of claim 8 wherein the time periods in the calendar time management application are class periods.